

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims Pending:

- At time of the Action: 1-9 and 16-20
- After this Response: 1-9 and 16-29

Currently Amended Claims: 1-9

Canceled or Withdrawn Claims: 10-15

New Claims: 21-29

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

sending a request for a return signal ~~into a wireless network~~ to a plurality of users ~~of said wireless network having data processing devices~~ user devices via a wireless network;

receiving from said wireless network respective return signals from each of said plurality of ~~users~~ user devices, each of said return signals containing information describing ~~its respective user~~ a respective user of each of said plurality of user devices;

receiving from said wireless network an inquiry generated by a first user ~~of said wireless network~~ device, said inquiry having predetermined responses associated therewith that are configured to be completed by recipients of said inquiry, and receiving from said wireless network an attribute provided by said first user device as [[a]] criteria for identifying the recipients of said inquiry;

automatically selecting a group of ~~users~~ user devices from said plurality of ~~users~~ user devices, each user device of said group of ~~users having~~ user devices being associated with said attribute, said selecting including analyzing said respective information of each of said plurality of ~~users~~ user devices, said attribute being identifiable from said respective information of each of said selected group of ~~users~~ user devices;

forwarding said inquiry ~~into said wireless network~~ to said group of users user devices via the wireless network to be completed by respective users of said group of user devices;

receiving from said wireless network responses associated with said inquiry from
5 one or more users user devices in said group of users user devices; and

forwarding said responses into said network to said first user device.

2. (Currently Amended) The method as in claim 1₁ wherein said attribute is
a ~~specific~~ geographical location.

3. (Currently Amended) The method as in claim 1₁ wherein said attribute is
a ~~specific~~ distance from said first user device.

4. (Currently Amended) The method as in claim 1₁ wherein said attribute
15 ~~include a specific~~ is an age of a user associated with the first user device.

5. (Currently Amended) The method as in claim 1₁ wherein said attribute is
a ~~specific~~ an occupation of a user associated with the first user device.

6. (Currently Amended) The method as in claim 1₁ wherein said attribute is
20 a ~~specific~~ sex of a user associated with the first user device.

7. (Currently Amended) The method as in claim 1, wherein said information includes a home address of ~~it's respective user~~ a user associated with the first user device.

8. (Currently Amended) The method as in claim 1, wherein said attribute is
5 being listed in ~~said first user's buddy list~~ a buddy list associated with said first user device, and wherein said method further comprises:

receiving from said wireless network a signal from said first user device, said signal identifying users of said wireless network who are on said ~~first user's~~ buddy list;

adding to said respective information of each user of ~~those of~~ said plurality of
10 users who ~~are~~ is on said ~~first user's~~ buddy list that ~~he/she~~ said user has been included in said ~~first user's~~ buddy list.

9. (Currently Amended) The method as in claim 1, wherein said attribute is
15 being listed in ~~said first user's address book~~ an address book associated with said first user device, and wherein said method further comprises:

receiving from said wireless network a signal from said first user device, said signal identifying users of said wireless network who are listed in said ~~first user's~~ address book;

adding to said respective information of each user of ~~those of~~ said plurality of
20 users who ~~are~~ is listed in said ~~first user's~~ address book that ~~he/she~~ said user has been included in said ~~first user's~~ address book.

10-15. (Canceled)

16. (Withdrawn) A method comprising:

5 collecting current geographical location data for a plurality of users on a wireless network;

transmitting said current geographical location data to a wireless device; and

associating current geographical location data for each user with a corresponding user record in an application executed on said wireless device.

10 17. (Withdrawn) The method as in claim 16 further comprising:

displaying said geographical location data within each of said corresponding user records.

18. (Withdrawn) The method as in claim 16 further comprising:

15 refraining from transmitting said geographical location data for one or more users responsive to a request from said one or more of said users to refrain from transmitting said current geographical location data.

19. (Withdrawn) The method as in claim 16 further comprising:

20 transmitting said geographical location data to a specified set of wireless devices responsive to a request from one or more of said users to only transmit said current geographical location data to said specified set of wireless devices.

20. (Withdrawn) The method as in claim 16 wherein said application is an address book application.

5 21. (New) One or more computer-readable media comprising instructions that are executable by a server to implement a module operable to:

send a request for a return signal to a plurality of user devices via a wireless network;

10 receive from the wireless network respective return signals from each of the plurality of user devices, each of the return signals containing information describing a respective user of each of the plurality of user devices;

receive from the wireless network an inquiry generated by a first user device, the inquiry having predetermined responses associated therewith that are configured to be completed by recipients of the inquiry;

15 receive from the wireless network an attribute provided by the first user as criteria for identifying the recipients of the inquiry;

automatically select a group of user devices from the plurality of user devices, each respective user of the group of user devices having the attribute;

20 analyze the respective information of each of the plurality of user devices, the attribute being identifiable from the respective information of each of the selected group of user devices;

forward the inquiry into the wireless network to the group of user devices to be completed by respective user of the group of user devices;

receive from the wireless network responses from one or more user devices in the group of user devices; and

5 forward the responses to the first user device via the wireless network.

22. (New) One or more computer-readable media as in claim 21, wherein the attribute comprises a geographical location.

10 23. (New) One or more computer-readable media as in claim 21, wherein the attribute comprises a distance from the first user device.

24. (New) One or more computer-readable media as in claim 21, wherein the attribute comprises an age of a user associated with the first user device.

15 25. (New) One or more computer-readable media as in claim 21, wherein the attribute comprises an occupation of a user associated with the first user device.

20 26. (New) One or more computer-readable media as in claim 21, wherein the attribute comprises a sex of a user associated with the first user device.

27. (New) One or more computer-readable media as in claim 21, wherein the information comprises a home address of a user associated with the first user device.

28. (New) One or more computer-readable media as in claim 21, wherein the
5 attribute comprises being listed in a buddy list associated with the first user device.

29. (New) One or more computer-readable media as in claim 21, wherein the attribute comprises being listed in an address book associated with the first user device.